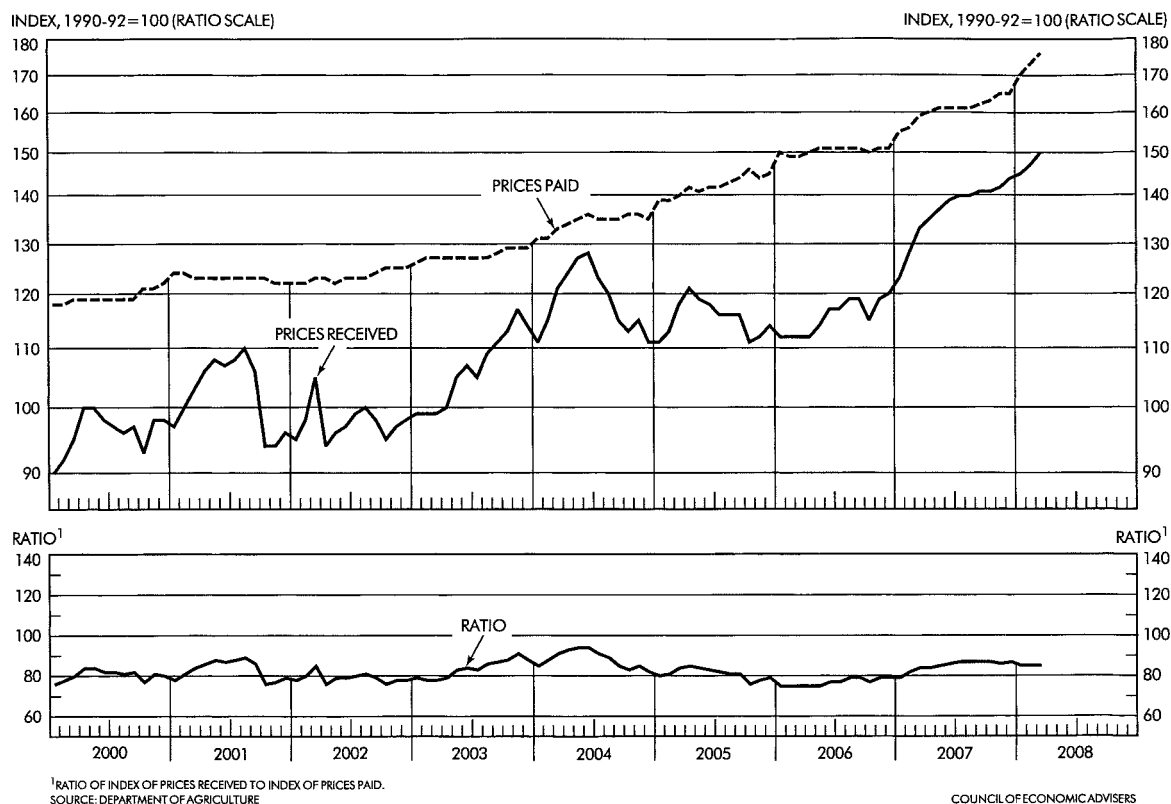


PRICES RECEIVED AND PAID BY FARMERS

In March, prices received by farmers rose 2.0 percent; prices paid by farmers rose 1.7 percent. (Data are not seasonally adjusted.)



[1990-92=100; not seasonally adjusted]

Period	Prices received by farmers			Prices paid by farmers			Ratio ²
	All farm products	Crops	Livestock and products	All commodities, services, interest, taxes, and wage rates ¹	Production items, interest, taxes, and wage rates	Production items	
1998	102	107	97	115	114	113	89
1999	96	97	95	115	113	111	83
2000	96	96	97	119	118	115	81
2001	102	99	106	123	121	120	83
2002	98	105	90	124	121	119	79
2003	107	111	103	128	125	124	84
2004	119	115	122	134	133	132	89
2005	115	111	120	142	142	140	81
2006	116	120	112	150	151	148	77
2007	137	142	132	161	162	160	85
2007: Mar	133	142	125	159	160	157	84
Apr	135	142	129	160	162	160	84
May	137	140	134	161	162	160	85
June	139	141	137	161	162	160	86
July	140	141	140	161	163	161	87
Aug	140	142	139	161	163	161	87
Sept	141	142	139	162	163	161	87
Oct	141	148	132	163	165	163	87
Nov	142	148	136	165	167	165	86
Dec	144	151	136	165	167	166	87
2008: Jan	145	158	131	170	173	171	85
Feb ^r	147	163	133	173	176	174	85
Mar	150	171	133	176	180	179	85

¹ Includes items not shown separately.

² Percentage ratio of index of prices received by farmers to index of prices paid, interest, taxes, and wage rates.

NOTE.—The official indexes are published on a 1910-14 base as required by law. The indexes have been converted to a 1990-92=100 base to facilitate comparison with other indexes. Source: Department of Agriculture.